



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held January 27, 2009, the Board took the following action:

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At the time and place regularly set, notice having been duly given, the following item was called up:

Combined hearing on the following zoning matters and Negative Declaration relating to property located at 31425 223rd Street East, in the unincorporated area of Antelope Valley, Antelope Valley East Zoned District, petitioned by Lynn Adams, as further described in the attached letter dated April 23, 2008 from the Director of Planning:

Project No. R2005-02441-(5), Zone Change Case No. 200500016-(5), from A-1-1 to A-2-2-DP

Conditional Use Permit Case No. 200700074-(5), to allow an existing 50-dog capacity commercial dog kennel as an accessory use, and the construction of two 784 sq ft shade structures, dog-run fencing and a fenced pool for the residence

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Dean Edwards, representing the Department of Regional Planning, testified. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. No interested persons addressed the Board. No correspondence was presented.

The Chairman tabled the matter for a report from the Director of Animal Care and Control.

Later in the meeting, Marcia Mayeda, Director of Animal Care and Control and Sherry Koneig, representing the Department of Animal Care and Control responded to questions posed by the Board.

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“The safety of animals in private kennels is of paramount importance to individuals who must board their dogs while they are away. Over the past year or so the Departments of Regional Planning and Animal Care and Control have reviewed the operations and practices of this applicant. The applicant has not exhibited a good faith effort to address enforcement notices and violation orders, nor has she shown a willingness to work cooperatively with County staff. Under these circumstances, the operation of a kennel may adversely impact both the boarded animals as well as surrounding property owners. Based upon their findings, and the testimony before this Board, it is clear that the operation of a kennel at this location is not in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare, nor does it constitute good zoning practice.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board closed the hearing; denied Project No. R2005-02441-(5), Zone Change Case No. 200500016-(5) and Conditional Use Permit Case No. 200700074-(5); and directed County Counsel to prepare findings for denial and bring these back to a future meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

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Attachments

Copies distributed:

Each Supervisor
County Counsel
Director of Animal Care and Control
Acting Director of Planning
Lynn Adams